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Midweek English Service, 7:30 P. M., Friday.  
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J. S. CLARK, Pastor.

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Holy Communion, first Sunday in each month, at 10:30 A. M.  
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Vespers—Native service, 3:30 P. M.  
Service in Norwegian about every fourth Sunday at 4:30 P. M.  
Evening Prayer and service, 7:30 P. M.  
Ladies' Aid every second Tuesday evening.  
Native prayer meeting each Wednesday evening.  
Service of Song, Friday evening, 7:30.  
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Free Night School every evening, except Sat.  
HARRY P. CORSE, Rector.

**SALVATION ARMY**  
Regular Meetings Tuesday and Friday, 7:30 P. M.  
Knee Drill, Sunday morning, 7:30.  
Service at Jail, Sunday, 10:30 A. M.  
Sunday School, 2:30 P. M.  
Regular service Sunday evening, 7:30.  
EMMA MILLER, Corps Commander.  
THOS. TAMAREE, Sergeant-Major.  
ROBT. SMITH, Adjutant.

### WITH PENCIL AND SHEARS

Items of Interest Gathered From Here and There

There was a social dance at Red Men's Hall last Saturday night.

Little Coralie Cunningham has been quite ill for two weeks past.

F. D. Cheney has bought the Waterbury launch from Mrs. Patenaude.

J. R. Heckman came up from Ketchikan to attend the wreck investigation.

We understand that the money for a system of water works is promised, and the water right will be located during the ensuing week. Good news!

K. J. Johansen and Claire Snyder have passed the examination and are now permitted to carry passengers for hire in power boats under fifteen tons.

Inspectors Whitney and Newhall have been investigating into the cause of the Star of Bengal wreck, the inquiry being held at the Wrangell Hotel. We are unable to give much information further than to state that the testimony given is favorable to the exoneration of the "captains from blame in the matter."

Meers. Hiatt and Haunstein left on the Seattle for their homes in the Sound metropolis.

James Coffin, the efficient native policeman, came down from Petersburg in the Seattle.

Gano Bros. have "dry-docked" their launch Esquimaux in the shingle mill, for repairs.

Adj. Robert Smith returned home on the Humboldt from an official trip to southward points.

Captains Farrer and Hamilton arrived here by the Humboldt, to be here at the wreck investigation.

Mrs. T. J. Case returned home by the Humboldt from Ketchikan, where she had been for a brief visit.

Ken Talmage returned on the Humboldt from a two-months' visit to familiar scenes in "Old Yamhill."

King salmon are commencing to get a trifle more numerous in these waters and some of the trollers are making good wages.

Mr. Bissell, of the Zarembo Mineral Water Co., was a passenger through on the Seattle, bound on business to Skagway and way points.

Tonight is the regular meeting night for the Chamber of Commerce. If the Chamber is going to do anything toward exploiting Wrangell's resources at the 1909 exposition, it is none to soon to get in readiness.

In the divorce proceedings between Howard Gould and his wife it was shown that Howard had tried to starve his wife by cutting down her allowance to \$60,000 a year. The inhuman monster!

Few of Wrangell's citizens are aware of the fact that the Ham Island marble quarries are being worked. Mr. Davis has a force of men busily engaged in getting the properties in readiness for the installation of machinery next June.

We are pleased to state that another dream, long indulged by this paper, has been realized by the construction of a fine new walk across the reserve west of the jail. The walk is the result of strenuous efforts by Al Osborne, and will be a great convenience to all.

The contract for building the launch for use by Forest Supervisor Langille has been awarded to John Wilson of Seattle. The price is \$5,335 and he has until April 1, 1909 to complete the job. Among the requirements for the boat are heavy construction and ability to operate in roughest weather.

K. J. Johansen and Capt. Rastad went over to St. John's Harbor, last week to fill a lot of carboys with mineral water for shipment to Seattle.

Miss Ella Woods has returned from Ketchikan, where she went two months ago to take charge of St. John's school, pending the arrival of Miss Jones, the regular teacher, who was detained by sickness in the east.

If you have anything in the line of mosses, ferns, berries, flowers, vegetables, shells, or any other Alaska product that is in any way beautiful, rare or extraordinary, hand it in to the committee of the Ladies' Auxiliary. Let's make a good showing at the fair, and pending the arrival of Miss Jones, the regular teacher, who was detained by sickness in the east.

The effect of the indifference of the federal government to the welfare of the Alaskan Indian is shown by the following rather pathetic incident taken from real life: A young native woman was recently released from jail, where she had been sent on a charge of adultery. Upon her liberation she proceeded to get heavily drunk in an attempt to be returned to jail. Asked by a kind white lady why she acted so, the native woman replied: "I can get no work to do, my baby's father is sick and can't support us; the only way I can get food for me and my baby is to do some wrong and get put in jail." Parallel cases are of almost weekly occurrence.

Ketchikan Miner: "It is officially announced that Rev. Thomas Jenkins of St. John's Mission has been elevated to the high office of Archdeacon for the District of Alaska. This honor comes to Mr. Jenkins after years of hard labor, and lies lightly upon his brow. It is the consensus of opinion that he is not only a priest, but a man of the broadest and most comprehensive understanding of things apostolic and secular. Liberal in mind and nature he is peculiarly adapted for his mission in life, and that he has by earnestness of purpose without bitterness to any and love of fellowship for all gained the watchful eyes of his superiors and parishioners. Mr. Jenkins will make his headquarters in Skagway, leaving here about the last of the present month. His new position will bring him in contact with all parts of Alaska, and we may, therefore, reasonably expect to see him semi-occasionally. Mr. Jenkins' successor as priest will be Rev. Richard Roe, of the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania."

### PORTAGE MOUNTAIN

### Minnesota Capitalists to Carry on Extensive Operations

SENTINEL is in receipt of a letter from a stockholder in the Portage Mountain Mining Co., from which we deduce that there is to be some active operations on that company's properties at Portage Mountain in the near future—very probably next spring.

We have watched the development work on these properties with considerable interest during the past several years, and have always been more or less hopeful of the success of the holders of the property. Any doubt that has existed as to the merit of the properties was dispelled last summer, when some machinery was taken to the mines, and sufficient ore uncovered to prove the worth of the mines, and show them to be among the best in Southeast Alaska.

Mr. C. A. Remington, the president of the company, experienced last year's work in person, and from his own lips we learned that he was agreeably surprised with the outlook. We are reliably informed that Mr. Remington is a large property holder at Hibbing, Minn., and is a conservative, careful business man, thoroughly versed in mining. Associated with Mr. Remington as officers of the company are Messrs. W. C. Barrett, vice president; B. H. Hayes, treasurer; and P. M. Bardesson, secretary, all of whom are representative citizens of Hibbing, at which city are located the headquarters and head offices of the company. All of these gentlemen have acquired a thorough knowledge of mining in the great Masaba iron fields, and it is safe to say that having been accustomed to seeing mining operations carried on on a large scale, will be competent to assure the profitable working of whatever operations they may attempt on their Alaskan mines.

The impression formed from reading the letter mentioned in the opening paragraph is that the company will put in a large amount of modern mining machinery, and as Mr. Remington looked over the ground and found ample facilities for building trams, securing waterpower, etc., the machinery will be operated to its full capacity. It is also probable that a better wharf and a large number of buildings will be put up on the water's edge in Portage Bay, and if a good sized mining town is soon found at that point, we shall not be surprised.

The properties of the company in the immediate vicinity of Portage Bay comprise twenty-nine claims, in four groups. All of these claims have been worked sufficiently to prove their worth, and we are told that they are all rich.

SENTINEL has nothing but best wishes for this company, as the benefits derived from its success will be felt all through this section of Alaska.

### LOOKING TOWARD WATERWORKS

### Enthusiastic Meeting Held By Wrangell Property Holders

A meeting was held at Council Chambers in Patenaude's building, Thursday evening last, for the purpose of considering the advisability of raising a fund for purchasing a gasoline engine and pump, to be placed somewhere on the water front, with pipes leading around town for protection against fire. However, after the meeting opened it developed that some of the property owners did not favor expending the amount necessary to furnish fire protection alone, when by adding a few hundred dollars more a system of waterworks could be put in that would assure a perpetual supply of pure water for domestic and power purposes as well.

The meeting was excellently attended, and was organized by the election of Mayor P. C. McCormack as chairman and Geo. Snyder as secretary. The purpose of the meeting was set forth by the chair, and considerable pro and con discussion took place.

In attendance at the meeting was Mr. Harry Hiatt, a practical waterworks man, who was called to the floor and stated that his belief, from rough estimating, was that fine system of water works could be put in here for \$7,000 to \$8,000. He had been over the ground between town and the proposed reservoir east of the shingle mill, and thought that the building of the dam and laying of the mains would not be a very considerable undertaking. He stated that with a head main of twelve inches diameter, reduced alternately to ten, and then to eight and six, leading into a four inch line for distributing the water about town, would give a pressure of 150 pounds to the square inch at any point on Front Street—sufficient to throw an

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inch stream of water entirely over the tallest building in town, or to rip shingles from lower roofs.

A committee consisting of J. G. Grant, F. Matheson and Wm. Lewis was appointed on motion to confer with Mr. Hiatt as to the number of hydrants and amount of pipe necessary to assure a good thorough system, and this was done Friday. Mr. Hiatt will secure estimates as to cost when he arrives at Seattle, and apprise the committee of his findings.

In order that no time may be lost, L. M. Churchill and Donald Sinclair were named as a committee to ascertain how much money could be secured by subscription among the citizens for the purpose of putting in a system.

We feel it our duty to here explain that no person who subscribes to this fund is giving his money, but it is estimated that when the system is in working order, the earnings will amount to enough to pay five per cent on all the money invested.

We are pleased to note the enthusiasm displayed by our citizens, and trust that the matter will not be "laid on the table" before an adequate system of waterworks has been installed.

The meeting adjourned to meet at the call of the chair.

### THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION

IN accordance with the proclamation of the President of the United States, and following a time-honored custom and usage of our country, I, Wilford B. Hoggatt, Governor of the District of Alaska, do hereby designate Thursday, the 26th day of November, 1908 as a day of public thanksgiving and praise, and recommend that, upon that day, all the people of the District of Alaska abstain from their usual avocations, and, repairing to their respective places of worship, do give thanks to the Supreme Ruler of the Universe for the blessings vouchsafed us during the past year, not forgetting to contribute to the relief of those who have not enjoyed the prosperity we celebrate.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the District to be affixed at Juneau, the Capital, this fourth day of November, A. D. 1908, and of the Independence of the United States, the one hundred and twenty-third year.

WILFORD B. HOGGATT,  
Governor of Alaska.

By the Governor.  
Attest: WM. L. DIXON,  
Ex-officio Secretary of Alaska.

Astoria Budget, 18th ult.: "Taken as a whole, the salmon pack of Southeast Alaska, has been far from satisfactory, says the Pacific Fisherman. While the canneries north of Wrangell Narrows had but little trouble in filling their cans they were compelled to do so with humpback and dog salmon, owing to the very small run of red salmon. South of Wrangell Narrows there was not only a short run of red salmon, but also of humpbacks. She ran of cohoes, which is not yet over in places, was small. But few king salmon are canned in this section, owing to the heavy demand for them for mild curing. It is probable that when the returns are in it will be found that the red salmon pack of this section will have dropped off more than fifty per cent, as compared with that of last year."

SENTINEL job office has this week turned out work for F. Matheson, Dr. Emery, Thlinget Trading Co., D. Denny, Palmer Bros., all of this place, and John Gaudin, of Petersburg.

### WE "TUMBLED"

The following effusion was this week dropped in our postoffice box:

I've always lots of writing to do,

And often blur my books;

When they're exposed to public view,

It greatly spoils their looks.

I lost my hair a-scratching for

Idea that never came,

And those who saw my bald spot said

They thought it was a shame.

One day I learned the Sentinel—

An office in the town—

Was a place I could get blotters, &

Yes, blue and white and brown;

I sent in a mail order

To ship a couple of score,

And now my hair is growing

And my books are blurred no more.

It is needless to say we took the hint,

And the bare-polled party got his bunch

of blotters. But we feel it our duty to

offer him a word of advice:

Just bear in mind, kind Christian friend,

While using up those pads,

That any kind of printed stuff,

Can be got right here, by gad!

Our work is done in neatest style

That's done by any printer;

And you'll find no lower prices if

You look around all winter.

But here's a warning I would give;

Throw out those dog-gone books,

And make your patrons come with coin,

Confound their pesky looks!

You'll have naught then to scratch for,

And your blotters will not waste,

Your hair will just grow lovely then.

(Now, sweeten this to taste.)

### NOTICE

All persons having any of the aluminum checks issued by the North Pacific Trading and Packing Company of Klavack, Alaska, are hereby notified to send or present same to the office of this company at Klavack for redemption before January 1, 1909, as no more of these checks will be issued.

H. F. SWIFT, Supt.

Messrs. Edward and Edgar Wellesley, twin brothers, and sons of our townsman E. P. Wellesley, the former accompanied by his wife, arrived here last week from Northern Michigan, and have taken up a residence in the C. L. Hamilton house on Stikine Avenue. They are working people, and will remain here if they find something to do.

Francis J. Henry, the attorney who threshed out the Oregon land frauds, and has since been prominently identified with the fight against the "Frisco grafters," was last week shot at his desk by an ex-convict saloon keeper named Haas. Henry had formerly caused the dismissal of Haas from a jury on the grounds of having been a convict. Haas

had nursed the grudge, and one day last week he walked up to Henry, who was reading at a desk in the court room, and shot him through the head with a big revolver. Henry will recover.

Inspectors Whitney and Newhall came down from Juneau on the Seattle, to investigate the Star of Bengal wreck.

**Stickine Tribe No. 5**  
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Busydodies are really never busy.

Keep your own counsel and you'll need no lawyer.

Money is the golden net in which suckers are caught.

The hopeful man usually has the least cause for encouragement.

One actress has done her part in elevating the stage by going up in a balloon.

This country should have better roads, with fewer jumping-off places for automobiles.

It takes two to make a bargain, and usually one of these has his suspicions about its being one.

A Pennsylvania man is going to quit smoking at ninety-six. He desires to live to a ripe old age.

Two years' savings has enabled a couple to return to Hungary and settle down for the rest of their lives. Serve them right.

Chauncey Depew says over-eating has killed more persons than drinking too much. But even if true, isn't over-eating a slower process?

Lovers will never admit that poverty justifies desertion, firmly believing that two can live on the same income that supports one in single blessedness.

A Los Angeles widow has, by marrying again, given up her chance to inherit \$500,000. Think not of her courage but of that which her new husband must possess.

Dr. Wiley, the government chemist, believes better bread would reduce the number of divorces. If this is the case better bread will not be welcomed in theatrical circles.

New Jersey has an official dog catcher who has been bitten 3,000 times by dogs of different breeds. Nobody seems to have taken the trouble to find out what the effect on the dogs may have been.

During the past year a \$7,000,000 increase of money order business has been noted in Boston. Evidently the Boston folks who started out to see the world have been writing home for more money.

An Indiana judge thinks the people of this country have no right to be shocked by the director's gown as long as women continue to lift their skirts when it rains. Another Daniel has come to judgment.

Americans are creating the real sensation in the airship line in Europe just now, and everybody is recognizing it. There are something intensely practical about an American inventor when he gets busy, which makes all the world attentive.

The fashionable wedding journey for British Columbia couples is a tour of the coast. The Canadian Pacific railway has just added to its steamship service a "honeymoon boat" which has three hundred "honeymoon staterooms." There are only thirty second-class berths on the steamer, since, of course, no bridegroom would accept inferior accommodations. Bachelors may use the cheaper quarters.

President G. Stanley Hall, in an article in the American Magazine, gives American fathers something to think about. Writing of "the awkward age" of the boy, he says that in the period between twelve and sixteen the boy grows away from his mother, and needs the wise, guiding hand of the father. The father then has great opportunity to mold the boy's flexible, undeveloped character. Doctor Hall thinks the American father is not doing this, but shifts the responsibility to school teachers and others. The proper bringing-up of the boy is the finest work a man can do for himself and the state, and President Hall's comments prove the underpinnings of home and nation.

Because some boys in bathing on the Atlantic coast had appealed for help and then laughed at those who came to the rescue, another boy at the same bathing beach, taken with cramps a little while later, called vainly for assistance until he went down the third time. Then some spectators saw that he was not joking, and with great difficulty got him out of the water unconscious and saved his life. Other boys in other parts of the country have not been so fortunate, and the newspapers have several times this summer reported that the bather was drowned, as those who heard the calls for help thought they were only in fun. It is the old story of the boy who called, "Wolf! wolf!" when there was no wolf. How long will it take the boys, and the men, for that matter, to learn the lesson?

A great portion of the public domain is poor land, worthless for farming purposes; but, on the other hand, there are large deposits of coal, oil and other minerals of immense value and vast forests that will furnish timber for generations to come. Naturally, such states as Montana, Idaho and Nevada

look upon the public lands in their borders as the possession of their citizens. They are anxious to have the tracts divided and given to settlers, so that the population may be increased and the resources of the states developed. But the public lands are peculiarly the possession of the nation and must be safeguarded as an important national asset. The time is past when they may be given to settlers by the thousand acres, fenced in by cattle kings and appropriated by railroads. Stricter laws and strict re-enforcement of them are evidences of the government's intention to protect its lands and hold them in the interest of all the people.

Do you develop your strength, increase your reasoning power, your will power, your power of initiative? Do you not only elevate yourself and hold yourself up, but also have strength to help others? Are you a lifter? Or do you, like the senseless lobster, remain high and dry on the sand or among the rocks, waiting for someone to carry you to the sea, or for the sea to come to you, when by your own native energy you should boldly plunge in and ride the waves triumphantly? Do you, in considering every undertaking, look hesitatingly to the right or left for some advice, some support, some prop to lean on? It has been said that for every self-made man there are ten self-ruined ones. It is a safe guess that nine of the ten are leaners. The ranks of mediocrity—of the half-successful—are crowded with people of fine natural abilities who never rise above inferior stations because they never act independently. They are afraid to take the initiative in anything—to depend upon their own judgment and resources—and so let opportunity after opportunity pass them by. They make fine plans, but leave them to be carried out by others; and then their only consolation is in saying: "I thought of it first." Half a hundred claim to have been the first to invent the railway airbrake. Only one had the nerve to demonstrate its practicability. Thousands talked about an Atlantic cable, until one came forward and laid it. He lost a big fortune by failing at first, but made a bigger one by succeeding at last. In every walk of life are earnest, conscientious people who are disappointed that they do not get on better and who wax eloquent over the injustice that confines them to inferior grades, while others with no more natural ability are constantly advanced over their heads. Analyze these people and you find their real trouble lies in their lack of independent action. They dare not make the slightest move without help or advice from some outside source. They lack confidence in themselves. They do not trust their own powers. They have never learned to stand squarely on their own feet, think their own thoughts and make their own decisions. The price that must be paid for this shifting of responsibility is a heavy one—the loss of a kingdom. We voluntarily abdicate the throne of personality, resign the priceless privilege conferred upon every human being in this civilized land—the right to think and speak and decide and act for himself.

## The Prayer of Cyrus Brown.

"The proper way for a man to pray," said Deacon Samuel Keyes, "and the only proper attitude is down upon his knees."

"No, I should say the way to pray," said the Rev. Dr. Wise, "is standing straight, with outstretched arms, and rapt and upturned eyes."

"Oh, no! no, no," said Elder Slow, "such posture is too proud; a man should pray with eyes fast closed and head contritely bowed."

"It seems to me his hands should be clasped in front, with both thumbs pointing toward the ground," said the Rev. Dr. Blunt.

"Last year I fell in Hodgkin's well head first," said Cyrus Brown, "with both my heels a-stickin' up, my head a-pintin' down."

"An' I prayed a prayer right then and there— Best prayer I ever said, The prayinest prayer I ever prayed, A-standin on my head." —Quebec Chronicle.

## Financial Poetry.

An unusual album was presented to Willis Clark, brother of Lewis Gaylord Clark, a poet, on one occasion, with a request for "some rhymes."

Mr. Clark was at the house of a farmer, and the man's daughter had turned an old account book into an autograph album in which were inscribed the names of her various friends and relatives below appropriate sentiments.

Mr. Clark saw his opportunity, and after turning over the leaves for a moment or two he took a pen and wrote the following verse:

This world's a scene as dark as Styx,  
Where hope is scarce worth  
Our joys are born so fleeting  
hence  
That they are dear at  
And yet to stay here many are  
willing  
Although they may not have  
—London Graphic.

## Think Not

We know what Sherman said of war I know a clerk  
Who claims that saying is by far More true of work.

—St. Paul Pioneer Press.

Hardly any man is clever enough to know how important he isn't.

## WOMEN ARE GROWING TALLER.



A HUNDRED YEARS AGO.

TO-DAY.

A HUNDRED YEARS FROM NOW.

Investigations conducted by a number of English physicians go to show that women as a class are growing taller, and the statement is seriously made that a hundred years from now, at the present rate of increase, women will be not only taller than their sisters of today, but they will be able literally to look down upon

mere men. Similarly, according to statisticians who deal with Europeans, man has fallen by at least three-fourths of an inch within the past 100 years; nor are there any signs that there is an upward tendency among the males. On the contrary, the average man of the future will appear squat, if not stunted, beside his Junonian sister.

## AUTUMN.

'Tis now that spiders in the casement weave,

Or launch their silken airships on the breeze;

'Tis now that honey ripeness feeds the bees

Where vine-born amber sweets their prison cleave,

And golden spheres their leafy heavens leave.

The same wind whispers through the orchard trees

That blew our swallows over southern seas.

And stole the robin's vesper from our eve.

The spirit of the year, like bacchant crowned,

With lighted torch goes careless on his way;

And soon bursts into flame the maple's spray,

And vines are running fire along the ground.

But softly, on October's blazing bound

How laugh the violet eyes of tender May!

—Edith M. Thomas.

## Presence of Mind

The curtain had fallen upon the first act, and Thomas Nash, whose attention had been divided between the stage and the girl who sat next to him, was able to devote all his attention to the latter. That he understood, as far as he dared; for she was a complete stranger to him. He could not speak to her, but was forced to content himself with little surreptitious glances aside, each of which gave him some further detail of her profile; her blue eyes, her slightly retroussé nose, her arched lips, and the whiteness of her neck and shoulders. There was a man with her, a man with a brown mustache, which Mr. Nash characterized unjustly as scrubby. But for the girl herself, he had nothing but appreciation.

The orchestra was about to commence the entr'acte, when a man in evening dress stepped before the footlights and spoke to the audience in a voice which cracked a little in his effort to suppress anxiety.

"Ladies and gentlemen," he said, "I should feel much obliged if you would all leave the theater at once and quietly. There is no danger, but you must leave at once." He motioned to the leader of the orchestra to play.

Everywhere men and women stood up, quick anxiety in their faces, vague questionings in their eyes. In that moment Mr. Nash looked at his neighbor, and she did not hesitate to speak to him.

"What is it?" she said under her breath. "Fire?"

"I suppose so," he answered nonchalantly, with the wish to pose as a hero in her eyes. "But don't be afraid. There is nothing to fear. I will help you if necessary. I have been in a theater fire before," he continued, "flying truth to the winds. The great thing is to keep one's presence of mind."

And then the curtain bulged forward, a vast sheet of flame swept from its under edge, and the man before the footlights threw up his arms and fell writhing before that scorching blast.

Mr. Nash forgot his heroism, forgot the girl, forgot everything save the necessity of reaching the doors as soon as possible and at any cost. He turned and fought his way through the crowd, striking men in the face, flinging women on one side, his mind a panic fear. He felt two hands gripping his shoulders, but they scarcely retarded him, and he had more formidable obstacles to contend with. Cursing and thrusting, trampling upon the bodies of those who had fallen, he forced his way through, until at length he met the cool rush of air that was streaming in from the night outside, and found himself safe in the crowd on the opposite side of the street, panting and shaken, amazed and horrified at himself.

A sobbing voice near him called him to his senses. He looked round and saw the girl to whom he had spoken,

shivering in her evening dress, but too hysterical with grief and fear to notice the cold.

"Oh, thank you," she cried; "thank you! I should never have got through but for you."

Mr. Nash stared at her a moment, unable to realize the extent of his good fortune. He had fled in panic and had earned the reputation of a hero.

"That gentleman who was with you?" he queried.

She pointed horror-struck to the blazing theater.

"Oh, go back for him!" she cried. "Go back and save him! You are brave; and I will thank you and pray for you all the days of my life."

Mr. Nash's heroism received a nasty shock. He looked about him desperately. But once again fortune befriended him, and he saw the very man, though much singed and blackened, coming toward him.

"Thank heaven you are safe!" said the newcomer with emotion.

"Yes, yes!" she cried. "Thank heaven! And thank this gentleman, too. He saved me. He got me out of the building."

The young man shook hands with Nash warmly.

"Sir," he said, "we must know more of each other; my sister owes you her life. My father and mother will be anxious to thank you yourselves. I was knocked down in the first rush. I believe that my being so saved my life; for I crawled under the seats and got over into the pit, and so out that way. This is a terrible business. Let us get away at once and find a cab."

They hurried down a side street and found a four-wheeler not 100 yards away. As Mr. Nash sat in the cab opposite to his new-found friend, he became calm enough to realize the extent of his good fortune. The young man introduced himself as William



EVERYWHERE MEN AND WOMEN STOOD UP.

Pearson, a name which Mr. Nash knew well as associated with one of the big industries of the city. He introduced also his sister Lucy, and Mr. Nash responded by giving his name and mentioning modestly the fact that he was a solicitor. They dropped him at his rooms with further thanks, an address, and a warm invitation to call upon the following day.

The Pearsons lived in a large house in the fashionable quarter of the town. On presenting himself at the door, Mr. Nash was ushered into the drawing room, which was filled with people, all talking excitedly. It was Mrs. Pearson's at-home day, and the tragedy of the previous evening had formed an absorbing subject of conversation. He became the center of attraction. Mr. Pearson, a stout man with a gray beard and honest eyes, came forward and shook him warmly by the hand. Mrs. Pearson was voluble and enthusiastic. Lucy, looking pale from the effects of the shock, smiled wanly and made him sit beside her. Her brother recounted his exploit. All the guests poured questions upon him and were eager in their praises. In the midst of this adulation Mr. Nash did his best to bear himself with becoming modesty. In a pause in the buzz of praise, he smiled and spoke.

"I'm really very much obliged to you all," he said; "I don't deserve half the kind things you have said about me. All that was needed was a little presence of mind."

Mr. Nash became a frequent and welcome visitor at the Pearsons' house. He came to be looked upon as a close friend of the family; and when the day came when he asked her to marry him,

her eyes sparkled with happiness as she accepted. Mr. Pearson made no difficulty.

"I'm not looking for money with my girl," he said heartily. "She has enough for two. I'll see that you are comfortable; and I daresay even a solicitor can find a use for a little extra capital. I'm glad to know that my daughter is passing into the hands of a brave man. That is enough for me."

Mrs. Pearson said the same, and kissed him.

At the wedding breakfast, Mr. Nash made the customary speech.

"This is an occasion for presence of mind," he remarked humorously. "Of all qualities, it is the most to be desired. I cannot forget that it is to presence of mind that I owe my present happy position." The guests applauded. Lucy understood and looked at him with shining eyes.

Surely Mr. Nash should be a happy man. He and his young wife are very fond of one another, and he knows that her love is based on respect for his heroic qualities. But there is a fly in the ointment. Deep within her, a still, small voice tells him at times of the panic in which he fled from that theater, and he knows, though he tries to fight the knowledge, that should similar circumstances occur and should his wife wish to take advantage of his presence of mind, she will have to do so by keeping a tight hand on his shoulders.—J. Sackville Martin in the Sketch.

## BETTER THAN BERRIES.

Harriet Hosmer's Delight When She First Finds Modeling Clay.

An old school friend of the late Harriet Hosmer, the sculptress, has recently related some interesting anecdotes of her childhood. Her first modeling, it appears, came about through a blue-berried expedition. "Hattie," as she was always called, had gone to the berry pastures with her foster brother Alfred.

"They had tramped farther than usual, when all of a sudden Hattie stumbled upon a big clay bank. It was just as if she'd been looking for it all her life. Out went all the berries from her nearly full pail, and into the pail went big double handfuls of the soft clay."

"Then she fairly rushed home, sat down on the back doorstep, and there modeled her first figure, a representation of the little, shaggy yellow dog who was at that time her chiefest treasure. After that she never forgot the clay bank."

"Why, when she was at boarding school with the rest of us she made casts of all our hands, and they were beautiful. She did one of Mrs. Sedgwick's, I know—she was our head mistress—and I remember that Mrs. Sedgwick said it was 'truly exquisite,' and would it all over with the soft, smooth silver paper she used for her finest pieces."

In a day when the athletic, outdoor girl was yet unknown, Harriet Hosmer, against all convention, at the imperative call of a free nature, rode, swam, paddled, hunted, fished, climbed, tramped, and studied nature—to the horror and dismay of the excellent housewives of her town.

"You should have seen her collections," said her old friend. "She had bugs and beetles, squirrels, rabbits and birds, and even an old fat woodchuck that she had shot and wounded herself. We girls could never see how she could do it—the things are so—so smelly—and unpleasant."

Even when her study of her art had taken her to Rome, among fellow artists and great folk who praised her and made much of her, she yet kept one relic of these happy days, oddly tucked in amid the clay and tools and glistening marbles of her studio. It was an old, dilapidated crow's-nest, the prize of a daring climb, refused to decorous service as a darned basket.

## A Literal Youth.

"Why, Johnny," said Mrs. Muggins, "what are you doing here? Is Willie's party over?"

"None," blubbered Johnny. "But the minute I got inside the house Willie's father told me to make myself at home, and I came."

# YOUNG FOLKS

## Jessie's Sewing Aches.

Jessie sat down by her mother to sew. She was making a pillow case for her own little pillow.

"All this?" she asked, in a disconsolate tone, holding the seam out.

"That is not too much for a little girl who has a work basket of her own," said her mother.

"Yes," thought Jessie, "mother has given me a work basket, and I ought to be willing to sew." With that she took a few stitches quite diligently.

"I have a dreadful pain in my side," said Jessie in a few minutes. "My thumb is very sore," she complained.

"Oh, my hand is so tired!" was the next. Next there was something the matter with her foot, and then with her eyes, and so she was full of trouble.

At length the sewing was done and Jessie brought it to her mother. "Should I not first send for a doctor?" asked her mother.

"The doctor for me, mother?" cried the little girl, as surprised as she could be.

"Certainly a little girl so full of pains and aches must be ill, and the sooner we have the doctor the better."

"O mother," said Jessie, laughing, "they were sewing aches. I am well now."

## Ojibway Ball Game.



This is the most popular sport among the 30,000 members of the Ojibway tribe. Entire villages engage in it, each side choosing a leader.

Each player is armed with a long stick, on the end of which is a small hoop, four inches in circumference. To this is attached a net of rawhide just large enough to hold the ball. At the distance of 400 paces from each other two poles are driven into the ground for goals. The object of each side is to get the ball into the net at the end of the playing stick and to strike the opposing goal with it. The player who succeeds wins the game for his side.

As the players on one side try to block the way to the goal for opponents and to keep the ball away from them, the result is a lively scrimmage. The two sides being lined up, the ball is thrown between them at the beginning of the game and is kept in lively movement until the contest ends.

On the outskirts of the struggling players are stationed skirmishers. They run with it to the goal. These skirmishers are chosen for their fleetness of foot. Now and then the ball will fly out from the struggling group and, catching it in the little basket at the end of his playing stick, an outfielder will speed with it for the goal, pursued by the rest of the players. The opposite side tries to catch him before he can touch the goal, while those on his own side interfere with this pursuit. He is encouraged by cries of "Ha-ha-yah!" and "A-ne-gook!" All join in the shouts, even the papposes.

Now and then a player will strike the ball and send it in the air. As it comes down another player sends it up again. Sometimes for ten minutes it will not touch the ground. Then both players and spectators reach the wildest pitch of enthusiasm. This game could be played with much enjoyment by the "pat-acks"—Chicago News.

## Elephants and White Ants.

Some American engineers, in constructing a power transmission line in India, had several things to consider and avoid that had never confronted them before, perhaps. The line, which was nearly a hundred miles in length, was carried on tall poles through the jungle, and in constructing it the ravages of white ants and the playful pranks of wild elephants had to be provided against. That sounds amusing, but the engineers found it a serious problem. The ants attacked the first poles set and fairly riddled them; and the elephants reached up with their trunks and tore down the wires. So iron sockets seven feet in height were used to set the poles in, which circumvented the ants; and after a careful measurement of the highest reach of an elephant's trunk, the poles were made tall enough to keep the wires out of the way.

## Experts in Hand Writing.

Experts in handwriting are often called on to read in it individual traits of character, and there is no doubt that they can do it. Typewriting has now become so common that similar tests are being applied to it. Here is a case in point: In a law suit in England recently, experts showed that one of the pages of a long typewritten document had been substituted for another. They found the difference in the spacing, the punctuation, the paragraphing and the appearance of the letters, the latter depending on the touch of the fingers. The experts further said that the writer of the substituted page was a young woman; that she was nervous, not strong, of only

fair education, and a beginner in typewriting. Thus, you see, no matter what we do, we leave a sort of character trail behind us.

## TRIED MODERN STEERAGE.

League Official and His Family Travel with Immigrants.

N. Behar, managing director of the National Liberal Immigration League, of which Edward Lauterbach is president, returned yesterday in the steamer of the Holland-America steamship Rotterdam, with his son-in-law, David Varon, professor of architecture in Syracuse university, Mrs. Varon and their two children, says the New York Sun.

Mr. Behar sailed from New York in the steamer of the French liner La Lorraine on July 2. His object was to study conditions in the steerage. He said he had found the La Lorraine not so well equipped as the Rotterdam, because the latter was a brand-new ship and the La Lorraine was eight years old. He found even the Rotterdam lacking in men's baths, but she was almost perfect otherwise in the steerage. He asked an officer about baths for men and the officer said they were useless, because the immigrants would not bathe. The children of immigrants, however, were properly bathed by stewards.

Men immigrants, Mr. Behar said, were many of them simply grown children, and it was necessary to persuade them to take proper care of themselves or induce them to do the things which were beneficial to them. The new French line ship Chicago, intended chiefly for second-class and steerage passengers, was almost an ideal craft of its kind. Mr. Behar will report to the league that all steerages should be provided with plenty of baths, that the ship's officers should encourage bathing and have each ship provided with libraries for immigrants, with books in several languages, most of the books to relate to America and its history, government, and physical conditions, with pictures and maps.

Mr. Behar said he lived with his relatives entirely in the steerage on both ships, took the same fare as that given to the immigrants and found it good. He found the steerage very much superior to what it had been less than ten years ago and was very hopeful of getting it still better by legislation and agitation.

## THE HOUSE FLY.

Set of Rules to Apply Against This Menace to Health.

When Josh Billings summed it all up by exclaiming "Darn a fly!" he had in mind merely the annoying ways of this pestiferous creature, the particular bane of the bald-headed man, and all-around nuisance, in summer, to all ages, sexes, kinds and conditions of mankind.

Within recent years, however, it has become generally known that the ordinary house fly is not merely an abominable nuisance, but a great menace to health, through its facility and activity in distributing the germs of some of the worst diseases. It is along this latter line that a crusade against the house fly is entered upon by some of our health committees and associations, one of the best and most active of which has issued the following set of rules:

Keep the flies away from the sick, especially those ill with contagious diseases. Kill every fly that strays into the sick room. His body is covered with disease germs.

Do not allow decaying material of any sort to accumulate in or near your premises.

Cover food after a meal; burn or bury all table refuse.

Screen all food exposed for sale.

Screen all windows and doors, especially the kitchen and dining room.

Pour kerosene into the drains.

Screen all food.

Keep receptacles for garbage carefully covered and the cans cleaned or sprinkled with oil or lime.

If there is no dirt and filth there will be no flies.

It is aptly remarked by the Syracuse Post-Standard that, unpleasant as the subject is, no apology is needed for giving all possible publicity to these rules. "Thousands of deaths from typhoid fever," it adds, "every year are due to the house fly. It is quite certain that if the real peril to human life from the activities of the house fly were understood there would be less carelessness on the part of householders in exposing food to the contamination of these vermin, and less carelessness on the part of municipal authorities in permitting grocers and street vendors to do so."—Albany Argus.

## A Few Human Bromides.

Now that surgery has advanced to a point where diseased or defective parts of the human body may be removed and replaced with those from an animal, it is presumed that the following will no longer be regarded as mere nature fakes. The man with the eagle eye, the man with the lion heart, the man with the chicken liver, the man with the pig head and the man with the dog face.—New York World.

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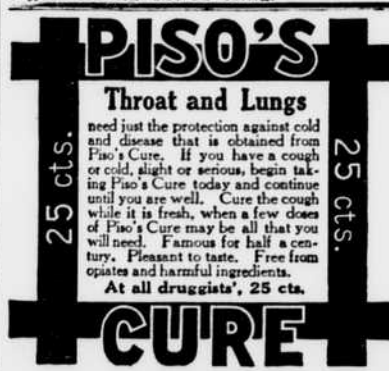


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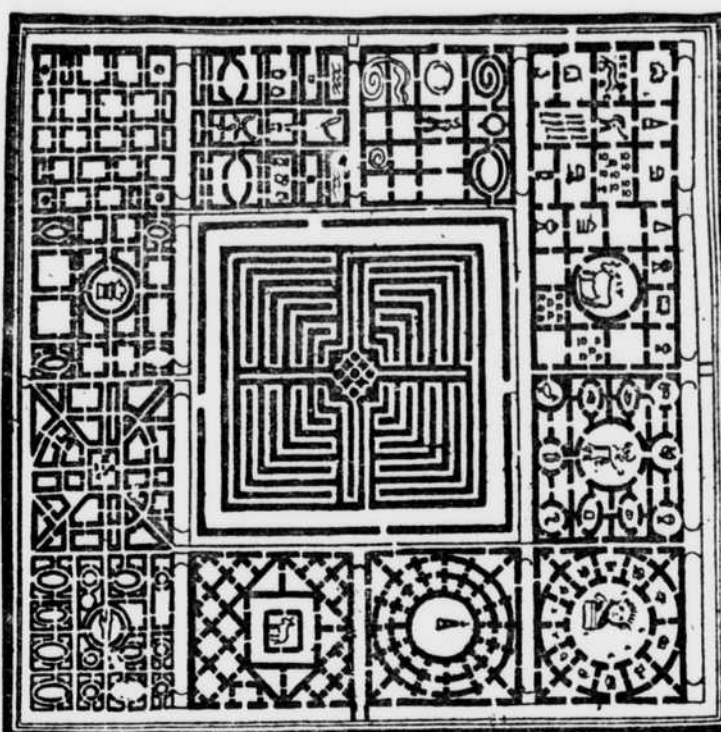
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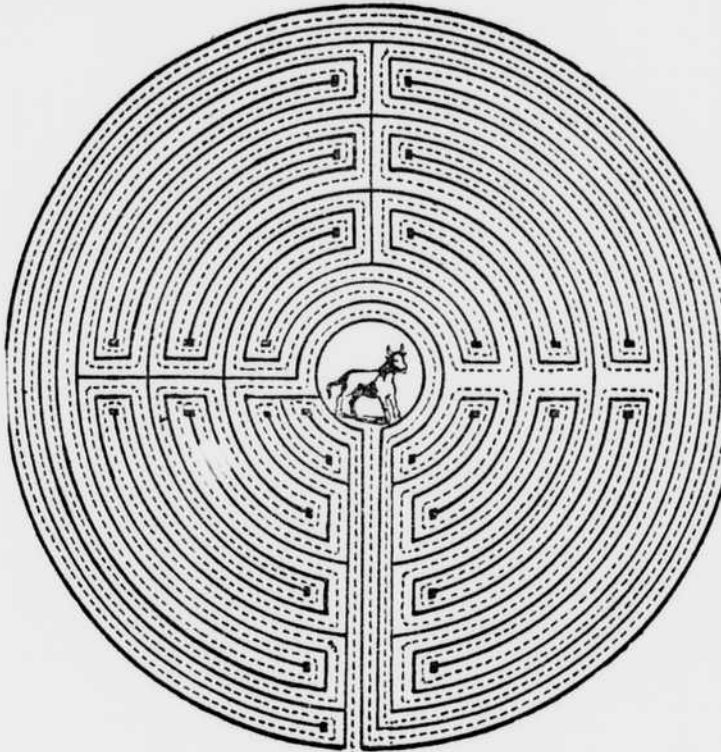
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The Moeris labyrinth was square and built entirely of marble. In it were 3,000 buildings arranged in groups of twelve places. The outer wall was decorated with lines of statues; within are the twelve groups of palaces and in the center are the gardens, the walks of which constitute a maze within a maze.

The Cretan labyrinth was formed by Daedalus for Minos as a prison for the minotaur to which twelve Athenian youths and maidens were offered every year. According to classical mythology, Theseus, coming to Crete with a band of victims, received the clue to

the labyrinth from Ariadne and killed the monster.

The dotted guiding line, shown in the plan of the Cretan labyrinth, furnishes a key to the minotaur's prison in the center. It will be noticed that every path in the maze has to be traversed before the center can be reached. Looking down on the plan of the maze this looks like a simple and methodical way to reach the center, but if the reader were penned in between the high walls of the maze and invited to try it again he would probably soon lose his bearings and get hopelessly lost.

No key is furnished to the solution of the Moeris labyrinth. Readers are invited to find it for themselves if they can. An entrance to the outer palaces will be found in the top. There are several short-cuts by which the center garden may be reached; it is not necessary to traverse the entire group of 3,000 buildings. To reach the center of the garden will prove almost as much a puzzle as the Cretan labyrinth. And having once reached the middle it will be just as hard, perhaps harder, to get out again than it was to find a way in.

It was the custom of the native cooks to strain soup through a cloth, and a clean one was provided every day for the purpose. In my establishment we burn castor oil in the lamps. The duty of straining the soup that day was given to a wretched under-cook, who took a cloth which had been used for cleaning the lamps.

This was trying, but everyone tried to make the best of matters. The dinner went smoothly after this, until dessert. Among the dishes was one of green gages, with a lot of fluffy cream on top. I felt rather proud of this delicacy. The colonel tasted it.

"Goodness! Olives!" he shouted. "Alas! it was too true. At the time I had given out a bottle of green gages I had also given one of fine Spanish olives. Now, for the first time, I noticed the green gages lying innocently in a cut glass dish where the olives should have been.

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With this number the SENTINEL closes the sixth year of its existence as a part of the business circles of Wrangell. It has shared the ups and downs, the successes and failures of business along with the other industries. It has circulated to the four quarters of the globe, and has always disseminated reliable information concerning the resources of Wrangell and vicinity. It has drawn more letters of inquiry from prospective visitors than has any other one institution in the town. It has consistently and persistently worked for what its publishers believed to be the best interests of the citizens, the business men, the industries, and in fact the community in its entirety. It has combated the mail order idea, because it thought that the money would be kept at home if spent with home merchants. It has no doubt made some mistakes. Who hasn't? Its policy has been to deal fairly and squarely with every legitimate industry, and to condemn in unmistakable terms anything which savored of deceit, fraud or dishonesty. In pursuing such a policy any newspaper that has the backbone of a shrimp, or better, must occasionally "step on somebody's toes." A lie never does any damage, but the truth is sometimes quite painful. But no man who is absolutely above reproach has ever seen a remark in this paper to which he could take exception; and if exception has ever been taken to any general remark which appeared in this paper, the fact that such exception was taken is sufficient evidence that there was "something rotten in Denmark." This being true, paper has stepped, no doubt, on somebody's toes.

Credulity in mankind is fast disappearing, and that is the reason of so much litigation. Dishonesty is growing apace. There was a time when men held their honor and integrity above anything else; when one man's word to another was as sacred and binding as the present-day note; but the almost insane desire for gain has revolutionized this condition, until, barring some remaining credulity, all business transactions are bound by signatures and seals. Yet there are some who can still be hypnotized into believing that the moon is made of green cheese, especially if they are goaded by prejudice; and nothing but an expensive experience will abolish the delusion. It were safer, these days, to prove any man before taking his word as the plain truth. We trust that by upholding law, telling the truth and paying our debts, we have shown ourselves worthy of the patronage and good offices of the citizens and business men.

This paper has never earned but very little over a comfortable living for its publishers, but believing in the future of the town it has remained here and boosted, in the hope that the development of the town's and vicinity's resources would cause such an improvement that we would be able to prepare for the proverbial rainy day. As we enter upon the seventh year of

this publication—under unpleasant circumstances—we still believe that Wrangell is the best town in all Alaska, destined to ultimately become the hub from which will radiate the spokes of industrial progress in Alaska.

We trust that fairness, honesty, and cool-headed justice may pour oil onto the troubled waters, and that each recognizing the strength of union and co operation, the citizens and business men may become a unit which will send the fair name and fame of Wrangell floating out to the world on every breeze from heaven.

To all who have patronized this office during the past years, we are extremely grateful, and we hope to have cause to soon forget the unpleasantness that have arisen in the past year. Such conditions as exist give the town a bad name, and is very poor business. Let's forget our troubles and other people's troubles, and boost long and loud for Wrangell.

## BRYAN

William H. Taft of Ohio is president-elect of the United States by a superb majority; and the country pauses to ask if it has heard the last of Bryan as a democratic candidate. The query is put more from sheer weariness than any other motive, and this is quite ample and wholly justifiable; but the sooner an answer is given, especially in the affirmative, the better for all hands, Bryan included.

The great commoner has been "run down" three times, emphatically and cheerfully, but there is no sort of assurance that he will stay down so long as there is a big enough group of democrats to hold him up in public and partisan view. His talking machine works smoothly, and his personal vanity does not balk at a fourth freeze-out. He is an infinitely weaker man today than he ever was after any of his previous defeats; he is absolutely without a rallying cry, his best theories are repudiated, and he is practically divested of what commanding influence he ever possessed; the recent campaign has proven that he was not the real and rational choice of his party; that had there been a man of parts at hand in the nominating days of the engagement with whom the big minority of the national democracy might have rallied the Bryanites away from their broken idol, he would never have been heard of in 1908, save as a campaigner for the man who had succeeded him in the affections of his people.

We hope the country is through with him as a perennial presidential impossibility. The democracy must have something newer, fresher, more interesting than Mr. Bryan; even the lecture field is, or will soon be outworn with him; and there are some issues a man must take and act on, if he will not become detestable altogether.

## ALASKA'S GOLD PRODUCT

P. L.—The receipts of the Seattle assay office for the ten months ending with October of this year were \$17,202,704, an increase over the figures of last year of \$1,731,092. Every month since January shows an increase over the corresponding month of last year.

Such a gain as this was hardly expected, after it developed, as it did early in the season, that the water supply of Alaska was to be so scanty and the rainfall so light. In 1907 production was limited in some of the big districts by labor troubles. During the season which has just closed, although the labor troubles had been practically eliminated, the water shortage cut down production very seriously. As it is, however, the addition of such a vast amount of gold as has come out of Alaska this season is of great importance to the world as a whole.

It is extremely unlikely that the yield of gold from Alaska in any future year will ever fall below the level recorded this year. The new districts which have been opened, the improvements in transportation facilities, and the introduction of machinery on a large scale, all go toward increasing production very largely. It is most improbable that there will be two succes-

sive years of drought and shortage of water for mining purposes.

Given an ample supply of water and no labor troubles, next year will be the banner one in gold production in Alaska; and Seattle will, as usual, reap a splendid harvest from the great northern territory with which it has such intimate relations.

## THE TIME TO SMILE

Optimism is a good asset. The pessimist, cradled and thriving in the lap of luxury, is less fortunate than the poor man who can smile. Schopenhauer, the sour sage, rich mentally and materially, was poorer than Lazarus, for he knew not the real and enduring good of the world.

Taft is a man of smiles; he lives close to the hopeful view. The frown is not without its uses. Monkeys frown; men frown; it is a means of expression as old as animal life. Animals have been laughing, too, through all the long and dismal march upward from the plasmic state to the high level of humanity; and it is good to laugh heartily, spontaneously, sincerely. The smile is silent laughter. The smile beams, as the sun, and in the flowers and fine verdancies of hill-side and hedge, of field and orchard, nature smiles. Roses and cherry blossoms smile, and the lily laughs; be a smiler and laughter with these.

In business, the smile is good capital. It pays to smile. The busy man smiles, and smiling, grows prosperous. Get busy; the country has past the unsettling turmoil of campaign oratory; the fretful cares and irritations of politics are out of the way; the future is alluring; there is no lowering cloud to dim the beauty of the prospect, no sinister signs to rouse the alarm or chill the zeal of the hopeful, spirited, doing man. Smile and get busy.

## HOME PRODUCTS FIRST

At the citizens' meeting last Thursday night a gentleman named Gingsraes spoke in regard to the piping to be used for the proposed system of waterworks, and said that he could make a good quality of wooden pipe right here at home. Many cities and towns are adopting the use of wooden pipe in preference to iron and steel, and it is quite probable that the mains for Wrangell will be of wood.

This writer knows nothing of the cost of pipe, but for example will assume the average cost of the pipe to be twenty cents per foot. If 6,000 feet is used it will cost \$1,200. If this is shipped from Seattle we may expect to pay at least \$200 in freight and wharfage, bringing the total up to \$1,400. If this \$1,400 is sent away from town it will stay away, and no laborer or business man of the town will ever "get a whack at it."

But if \$1,600 or even \$2,000 is spent for the same amount of just as good pipe manufactured right here at home, we can estimate with reason that fully \$1,800 of it will find its way back into the channels of local business through the payment for logs, sawmill machinery hire and workmen's wages.

What do you know about it?

New York city got ahead of the rest of the country, when the recent tuberculosis closed, by obtaining the transfer to that place of the exhibits displayed for three weeks in Washington. The transfer will include not only the best of the exhibits from this country, but also those striking and suggestive models, specimens and photographs from abroad that aroused so much interest at the congress. All will be taken to New York and shown free of cost to any who may care to view them. These exhibits constitute a graphic argument proving that tuberculosis is communicable and that it can be prevented by cleanliness. The success of the exhibition in Washington where thousands viewed it and where the chief topic of talk for several weeks has been the disease and the means of fighting it, as well as the predicted success of the same exhibition in New York, has already determined the leading members of the congress in the country upon the course of carrying the exhibits to all parts of the country and showing them wherever it is practicable.

SERIAL NO. 088  
SOLDIER'S ADDITIONAL HOMESTEAD ENTRY BY ASSIGNEE  
U. S. LAND OFFICE,  
Juneau, Alaska, Sept. 19, 1908.  
NOTICE is hereby given that Lewis P. Hunt, whose postoffice address is Mankato, Minnesota, the legal assignee of Thomas McCormack, beneficiary under Section 2306, Revised Statutes of the United States, granting additional lands to soldiers and sailors who served in the Army or Navy of the United States during the War of the Rebellion, has applied to enter the lands embraced in U. S. Survey No. 215, situated on the south shore of Shakan Strait, and more particularly described as follows:  
Beginning at Corner No. 1, 15 links above high tide line of Shakan Strait, a stone marked Beg. Cor. No. 1 & 215, whence U. S. Location Monument No. 5 bears N 8 degrees 52 minutes W. 37.02 chains distant; thence S. 44 deg. 00 min. E. 45.67 chs. to Cor. No. 2, a stone marked 2 S. 215; thence S. 46 deg. 00 min. W. 19.34 chs. to Cor. No. 3, a stone marked 3 S. 215; thence N. 44 deg. 00 min. W. 42.67 chs. to Cor. No. 4, on high tide line of Shakan Strait, a stone marked 4 S. 215; thence along said high water mark, (1) N. 67 deg. 00 min. E. 6.30 chs.; (2) N. 43 deg. 22 min. E. 4.60 chs.; (3) N. 33 deg. 00 min. E. 9.10 chs. to Cor. No. 1, the place of beginning. Area, 79.282 acres. Magnetic variation at all corners 33 deg. 00 min. E. as additional to the said McCormack's original homestead on the east half of the southeast quarter of section eight, in township 10 south of range 1 west, which he entered at New Orleans, La., per Homestead Entry No. 8, dated January 17th, 1867.  
Any and all persons claiming adversely any portion of the above described tract of land are required to file with the Register and Receiver of the U. S. Land Office at Juneau, Alaska, their adverse claim thereagainst, on or before the date of the publication of this notice, or within thirty days thereafter, or they will be barred by provisions of the statutes.  
LEWIS P. HUNT,  
It is hereby ordered that the foregoing notice be published for the statutory period in the ALASKA SENTINEL, a weekly newspaper, published at Wrangell, Alaska.  
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